Tennessee Title XIX Waivers

1. Statewideness and Eligibility Methods and Standards—Sections 1902(a)(1)

To enable Tennessee (the Host State) to implement a program in order to provide benefits to evacuees who are determined to be eligible under a Home State Medicaid program on less than a statewide basis.

2. Comparability—Section 1902(a)(10)(B)

To enable Tennessee to offer benefits to evacuees that are not comparable to the benefits offered by the Home or Host States to categorically needy individuals or to other individuals in the same eligibility group.

3. Fair Hearings and Notices—Section 1902(a)(3)

To enable Tennessee to make determinations of temporary status in the Host State Medicaid program for a period of up to 5 months without according the right to fair hearings or appeals of adverse determinations that would be available for determinations with respect to eligibility status under the State plan. Nothing in this waiver limits the rights of such individuals to seek a determination of permanent eligibility status in the Home State with the right to fair hearings or appeals of adverse determinations.

4. Cooperation in Establishing Paternity—Section 1902(a)(45)

To permit Tennessee to determine eligibility for evacuees under the Home State program without requiring applicants to comply with paternity cooperation requirements of section 1912.

5. Freedom of Choice—Section 1902(a)(27)

To enable the Host State to restrict the choice of provider.

6. Annual Redeterminations of Eligibility—Sections 1902(a)(4) and 1902(a)(19)

To permit delay of otherwise required redeterminations between August 24, 2005 and January 31, 2006, for evacuees enrolled in the Host State's title XIX program. At the Host State's option, current enrollees in the title XIX program not considered evacuees who are due for recertification between September 30, 2005, and January 31, 2006, will have their enrollment period extended.

7. Provider Agreements—Section 1902(a)(32)

To permit the provision of care in the Host State by individuals or entities who have not executed a Provider Agreement within the Home State Medicaid Agency but have such an agreement with the Host State.

8. Retroactive Eligibility—Section 1902(a)(34)

To enable Tennessee to waive the requirement to provide medical assistance for up to 3 months prior to the date that the application for assistance under a temporary eligibility period is made for evacuees.

9. Third Party Liability—Section 1902(a)(25)

To waive the requirement that the Host State collect sufficient information about third party liability at the time of any determination or redetermination of eligibility, if such collection is not possible at that time.

10. Comparability of Eligibility—Section 1902(a)(17)

To enable the Host State to determine financial eligibility without using the income and resource methodologies of the AFDC or SSI programs.

Tennessee Medicaid Costs Not Otherwise Matchable

Under the authority of section 1115(a)(2) of the Act, State expenditures under the Tennesee demonstration described below (which would not otherwise be included as matchable expenditures under section 1903) shall, for the period of the project, be regarded as expenditures under the State's title XIX plan. All requirements of the Medicaid statute will be applicable to such expenditures, except those specified below as not applicable to these expenditure authorities. In addition, all requirements in the enclosed Special Terms and Conditions will apply to these expenditure authorities.

- 1. Tennessee expenditures, including administrative and benefit costs of extending benefits during a temporary eligibility period to evacuees who fit into the demonstration population consisting of parents, pregnant women, children under age 19, individuals with disabilities, low-income Medicare recipients, and low-income individuals in need of long-term care with incomes up to and including the levels listed on the attached simplified eligibility chart are determined to be eligible under a Home State Medicaid program.
- 2. Expenditures for Home and Community-Based Services furnished to evacuees, including administrative and benefit costs.

ATTACHMENT B

Evacuee Eligibility Simplification Based on Home State Eligibility Rules

Simplified Eligibility Groups	FPL Levels
Children Under Age 19	up to and including 200% FPL
Pregnant Women from Louisiana and Mississippi	up to and including 185% FPL
Pregnant Women from Alabama	up to and including 133% FPL
Individuals with Disabilities	up to and including 300% SSI
Low-income Medicare Recipients	up to and including 100% FPL
Low-income individuals in need of Long Term Care	up to and including 300% SSI
Low-income Parents of Children Under Age 19	up to and including 100% FPL